arrest. They will see why he ultimately worked with others to help protect his home. Like many young people today, he fought for what he believed in, but later worked with lawmakers to build consensus. He started out as a civil rights protestor, civilly disobedient and an advocate. He ended up being one of the great uniters in the history of the Nation and certainly the Pacific Northwest.

I hope that when people drive by the sign that directs them to the refuge, maybe they will feel a little of that Billy magic, too. Maybe they will wonder: Well, who was this Billy Frank Jr.? What did he do? For those of us who knew him, it will be a frequent reminder of this hero.

They say you die twice: the first time, and the second time when they stop speaking about you. It is our goal that they never stop speaking about Billy Frank Jr. and the lessons he taught us all. The refuge will be a constant reminder.

I knew Billy for almost 40 years. I loved him like a beloved uncle. In fact, I called him Uncle Billy. But I was absolutely not special in that regard. Hundreds, if not thousands, of people did the same thing. Indeed, at his memorial service, the official estimate of the number in attendance was 10,000. That is how beloved this man was.

I would like to thank the members of the House Committee on Natural Resources who unanimously approved this bill and all the members of the House delegation from Washington State. I would also like to especially recognize Chairman BISHOP, Ranking Member GRIJALVA, and the hardworking committee staff, both for the majority and the minority, for their help on this legislation.

In conclusion, Billy once famously said: "I don't believe in magic. I believe in the sun and the stars, the water, the tides, the floods, the owls, the hawks flying, the river running, the wind talking. They're measurements. They tell us how healthy things are. How healthy we are. Because we and they are the same."

Let's remind visitors that we and they are the same at the Billy Frank Jr. Nisqually Wildlife Refuge.

Mr. LaMALFA. Mr. Speaker, again, Mr. Heck is to be commended for bringing forward such a worthy piece of legislation to honor a man who has done so much in that area. Indeed, this legislation will make sure that his story continues to be told and that he will always be commemorated and memorialized in that region because of that. Congratulations to you on this.

I am proud to support the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Washington (Mr. KIL-MER).

Mr. KILMER. Mr. Speaker, I join my colleagues in standing up today for a true American hero, Billy Frank Jr.

For Billy, protecting our natural world and everything that depends on it wasn't a political issue; rather, it was an innate calling. Folks responded to that.

They followed his fearless protests by standing up for civil rights. They followed his example by becoming fishermen themselves in places like South Puget Sound. They followed his lead in championing clean water and fish runs and protecting Puget Sound. They listened to his ideas about keeping communities vibrant by building tribal youth centers.

In the marble Halls of Congress, he convinced so many that tribal treaty rights could not be held back and that we can't keep damaging our environment, that we have got to stand up for extraordinary bodies of water like Puget Sound. He left tracks all across our State and our Nation, and his advocacy will live on.

To help honor this legacy, I encourage my colleagues to vote for this bill sponsored by Congressman Heck that I was proud to cosponsor, renaming the Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge the Billy Frank Jr. National Wildlife Refuge. It is the right thing to do to honor all the work that Billy did for all of us. It should serve as a reminder that we need to keep fighting for all of those things he fought for.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, before I yield back the balance of my time, let me thank the chair of the Subcommittee on Federal Lands, Mr. McCLINTOCK, and Ranking Member TSONGAS for their work and the staff's work on this.

Again, to Mr. Heck and the delegation from Washington, this is a great piece of legislation. I urge its passage.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. LAMALFA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2270, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. LAMALFA. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be post-poned.

ALTERNATIVE PLAN FOR 2016 LO-CALITY-BASED COMPARABILITY PAYMENTS—A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 114-81)

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

I am transmitting an alternative plan for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2016.

Title 5, United States Code, authorizes me to implement alternative pay plans for pay increases for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems if, because of "national emergency or serious economic conditions affecting the general welfare," I view the adjustments that would otherwise take effect as inappropriate.

Civilian Federal employees have already made significant sacrifices as a result of 3-year pay freeze that ended in January 2014. In January 2014 and again in January 2015, increases for civilian Federal employees were limited to a 1.0 percent overall pay increase, an amount lower than the private sector pay increases and statutory formula for adjustments to the base General Schedule for 2014 and 2015. However, as the country's economic recovery continues, we must maintain efforts to keep our Nation on a sustainable fiscal course. This is an effort that continues to require tough choices.

Under current law, locality pay increases averaging 28.74 percent and costing \$26 billion would go into effect in January 2016. Federal agency budgets cannot sustain such increases. Accordingly, I have determined that under the authority of section 5304a of title 5, United States Code. localitybased comparability payments for the locality pay areas established by the President's Pay Agent, in the amounts set forth in the attached table, shall become effective on the first day of the first applicable pay period beginning on or after January 1, 2016. These rates are based on an allocation of 0.3 percent of payroll as indicated in my August 28, 2015, alternative pay plan for adjustments to the base General Schedule. These decisions will not materially affect our ability to attract and retain a well-qualified Federal workforce.

The adjustments described above shall take effect on the first applicable pay period beginning on or after January 1, 2016.

BARACK OBAMA. THE WHITE HOUSE, November 30, 2015.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro

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and 30 minutes p.m.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK, House of Representatives, Washington, DC, November 30, 2015. Hon. PAUL D. RYAN,

The Speaker, House of Representatives,

Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 2(h) of Rule II of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Clerk received the following message from the Secretary of the Senate on November 30, 2015 at 6:03 p.m.:

That the Senate passed S. 1698. With best wishes, I am

Sincerely.

KAREN L. HAAS.

RESOLUTION REPORT ON VIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF 8, NORTH AMERICAN EN-ERGY SECURITY AND INFRA-STRUCTURE ACT OF 2015; PRO-VIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S.J. RES. 23, PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF A RULE SUBMITTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S.J. RES. 24, PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF A RULE SUB-MITTED THE ENVIRON-BYMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Mr. BURGESS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 114-353) on the resolution (H. Res. 539) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8) to modernize energy infrastructure, build a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce, bolster America's energy security and diplomacy, and promote energy efficiency and government accountability, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 23) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New, Modified, and Reconstructed Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units"; and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 24) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Carbon Pollution Emission Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units", which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

tempore (Mr. Conaway) at 6 o'clock ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following

H.R. 2288, by the yeas and nays; H.R. 2270, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. The second electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

REMOVAL OF USE RESTRICTION CERTAIN LAND TRANS-FERRED TO ROCKINGHAM COUN-TY, VIRGINIA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2288) to remove the use restrictions on certain land transferred to Rockingham County, Virginia, and for other purposes, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. LAMALFA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 407, nays 0, not voting 26, as follows:

[Roll No. 644]

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